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CJLEADS PILOT ALREADY HELPING LAW ENFORCEMENT CATCH CRIMINALS

Over 1,000 Wake County Law Enforcement Officers and Criminal Justice Professionals Training or Currently Using New Program

RALEIGH – The Office of State Controller has released its quarterly report to the General Assembly outlining the progress of the CJLEADS (Criminal Justice Law Enforcement Automated Data Services) Wake County Pilot that was released in July, 2010. As of September 30, over 1,000 users, comprising criminal justice organizations with an operational presence in Wake County, have been established in CJLEADS and are training or currently using the application.

The pilot is integrating data found within the state's various criminal justice applications and is providing up-to-date criminal information in a centralized location via a secure connection for use by state and local government criminal justice professionals. CJLEADS has two primary objectives: to provide a comprehensive view of an offender through a single application, allowing for positive identification of an offender through a photographic image; and to provide an "offender watch" capability to alert criminal justice professionals when an offender has a change in status.

While the Wake County deployment is still underway, several agencies have shared results of having access to CJLEADS:

Wake County ABC Law Enforcement

Wake County ABC Law Enforcement investigated a reported larceny. Security video captured images of the suspect but the suspect was unidentified. Subsequently, the suspect made a purchase using another person's credit card. While searching for associates of the credit card owner in CJLEADS, the CJLEADS application provided a photo image that was an exact match with the suspect in the video. The photo and information allowed law enforcement to make a positive identification, obtain an accurate address, draw a warrant, make the arrest, and close the case.

North Carolina Department of Insurance, Criminal Investigations Division

During an initial meeting and CJLEADS demonstration with Department of Insurance, investigators requested information about a fugitive they had been trying to arrest for a month and a half. The department had planned to conduct surveillance to apprehend the individual. Using the information

from CJLEADS, they determined that the individual was scheduled to appear in New Hanover County court on a traffic charge. When the fugitive was called for court, investigators were present and took the individual into custody. The lead uncovered in CJLEADS saved three to four investigators several hours of surveillance and resulted in the arrest of a fugitive.

Holly Springs Police Department

A Holly Springs Police Officer who had recently completed CJLEADS training stopped to assist another officer during a traffic stop. While questioning one of the individuals in the vehicle, the officer determined that the person had provided a fictitious name. The alias was searched in CJLEADS and the officer found that the individual had outstanding warrants. After confirming the warrants, the person was arrested. The officer proceeded to check the vehicle's remaining occupants in CJLEADS and found that three of the four individuals had outstanding warrants. All were arrested after the warrants were confirmed.

North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles License and Theft Bureau

On August 20, 2010, at approximately 3:30 pm, an individual upset about circumstances resulting from a driver's license problem became irate and communicated a bomb threat to the Bladen County DMV Call Center. License and Theft Bureau Inspectors, using CJLEADS as a resource, were able to find historical address information that allowed them to locate the individual and obtain arrest warrants. Working with several other local law enforcement agencies, License and Theft Inspectors arrested the suspect at 7:30 pm that evening.

Deployment activities and user training in Wake County will continue throughout the fall of 2010. The quarterly report prepared by the OSC provides the current CJLEADS Wake County Pilot status, plans for statewide expansion, and future funding requirements. The report can be found at: http://www.osc.nc.gov/index2.html under "Recent Publications."

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